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REMARKS

Applicant offers the following comments in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance set forth on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability dated January 13, 2005. Even though the application includes three independent formulations of the invention, the Reasons for Allowance paraphrase only independent claim 1. Accordingly, while the Statement appears to be an accurate statement of reasons for allowing independent claim 1, the Statement is deficient by failing to acknowledge that independent claims 6 and 7 were allowed for independent reasons.

Further, Applicant does not admit to the characterization of the teachings of U.S. Patent 6,360,277 to Ruckely et al. or U.S. Patent 5,351,243 to Kalkunte et al. set forth on pages 2-3 of the Statement.

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Finally, Patent Office personnel is requested to note that the present submission does not

adversely affect the patent term adjustment accrued by the Applicant to date. As emphasized in

the "Clarification of 37 C.F.R. §1.704(c)(10) – Reduction of Patent Term Adjustment for Certain

Types of Papers Filed After a Notice of Allowance Has Been Mailed," 1247OG111 (6/26/01), "a

response to the examiner's reasons for allowance" is an example of a paper that does "not cause

substantial interference and delay in the patent issue process" and is "not considered a 'failure to

engage in reasonable efforts' to conclude processing or examination of the application."

Therefore, the Applicant remains entitled to the full patent term adjustment of 744 days set forth

on page 3 of the Notice of Allowance dated January 13, 2005.

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